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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR THE YEAR
1957.



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Public Health Office
32, South Street,
Bridport,
Dorset.

September, 1958.

To His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors
of the Borough of Bridport.

Mr. Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors,

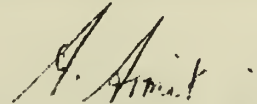
I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report for
the year 1957.

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I am deeply grateful for the courtesy and consideration
extended to me by Members of the Council and for the co-operation
of my colleagues on the Council staff, especially Mr. Till, the
Public Health Inspector, for his assistance in the preparation of
this report.

I am, your obedient servant,



Medical Officer of Health.

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of the Medical Officer of Health*

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PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF.

Medical Officer of Health..... Adam Armit, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H..
Public Health Inspector and
Meat Inspector..... D.H. Till, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I..
Clerk to the Medical Officer..... Miss B.E. Lawrence.

STATISTICS OF THE AREA.

Area in acres.	..	..	..	..	..	775.
Registrar General's estimate of population	..	..				6,680.
No. of inhabited houses (according to the Rate Books as at end of 1957).					..	2,230.
Rateable Value.	..	..	..	..	..	92,015.
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	..	..	..	..	..	£360.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS.

<u>Live Births.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
Total Births.	38.	39.	Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated
Legitimate.	36.	36.	resident population - 11.53 Crude
Illegitimate.	2.	3.	12.34 Corrected.
			Comparability Factor 1.07

<u>Still Births.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
Total Still Births.	1	-	Still Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated
Legitimate.	1	-	resident population - 0.15.

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of Age.

	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
Total.	2	3	Death Rate all Infants per 1,000
Legitimate.	2	3	notified Births - 64.9

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of Age.

	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
Total.	1	2	Death Rate of Infants under 4 weeks per
Legitimate.	1	2	1,000 notified births - 38.96

Deaths from Puerperal Causes.....Nil.

Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live and still births.....Nil.

Deaths at all ages and from all Causes.

	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
	49.	58.	Death Rate per 1,000 estimated resident
			population - 16.02 Crude
			10.89 Corrected.
			Comparability Factor - 0.68

Note - Comparability Factor.

This is worked out for each District by the Registrar General. Its object is to level out differences in the age and sex constitution of the populations of the various Districts and its use enables us to obtain standardised birth and death rates which are more fairly comparable and more accurate than the crude rates.

CAUSES OF DEATH AT ALL AGES.

Registrar General's Official Returns.

	Males		Females.		Total.
	1-3 Qrts.	4 Qrt.	1-3 Qrts.	4 Qrt.	
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory.	-	-	-	1	1
2. Tuberculosis, other.	-	-	-	-	-
3. Syphilitic Disease.	-	-	1	-	1
4. Diphtheria.	-	-	-	-	-
5. Whooping Cough.	-	-	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal infections.	-	-	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis.	-	-	-	-	-
8. Measles.	-	-	-	-	-
9. Other infective & parasitic diseases.	-	-	-	-	-
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach.	-	-	-	1	1
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus.	2	-	-	-	2
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast.	-	-	3	1	4
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus.	-	-	-	-	-
14. Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms.	5	1	6	-	12
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia.	1	-	-	-	1
16. Diabetes.	-	-	-	-	-
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system.	4	-	8	1	13
18. Coronary disease, angina.	11	3	4	-	18
19. Hypertension with heart disease.	-	-	1	-	1
20. Other heart disease.	3	4	12	3	22
21. Other circulatory disease.	1	-	2	-	3
22. Influenza.	-	-	-	-	-
23. Pneumonia.	2	2	1	2	7
24. Bronchitis.	1	1	2	-	4
25. Other diseases of respiratory system.	-	-	-	-	-
26. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum.	-	2	1	-	3
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea.	-	-	-	-	-
28. Nephritis and nephrosis.	-	-	-	-	-
29. Hyperplasia of prostate.	2	-	-	-	2
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion.	-	-	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations.	-	-	1	-	1
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases.	3	-	4	1	8
33. Motor vehicle accidents.	1	-	-	1	2
34. All other accidents.	-	-	1	-	1
35. Suicide.	-	-	-	-	-
36. Homicide and operations of war.	-	-	-	-	-
Total.	36	13	47	11	107

OTHER VITAL STATISTICS.

	1938	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
Population	5732	5948	6045	6081	6271	6379	6397	6660	6750	6730	6680
Rateable Value	£41366	£44388	£46131	£47181	£48167	£49096	£49246	£52602	£53211	£92448	£92015
Estimated Produce of a Penny Rate	£162	£181	£180	£190	£190	£192	£195	£208	£208	£395	£360
BIRTHS.											
Live Births	67	104	97	99	101	100	80	89	85	82	77
Legitimate	66	99	92	94	96	95	76	85	83	76	72
Illegitimate	1	5	5	5	5	5	4	4	2	6	5
Still Births	4	1	—	3	4	3	2	2	3	1	1
Live Birth Rate (crude)	11.7	17.5	16.05	16.3	16.1	15.7	12.5	13.4	12.6	12.18	11.53
Live Birth Rate (corrected)	—	—	—	17.3	16.9	16.5	13.1	14.3	13.8	13.03	12.34
Live Birth Rate (Eng. & Wales)	15.6	17.9	16.7	15.8	15.5	15.3	15.5	15.2	15.0	15.7	16.1
DEATHS.											
Total Deaths	87	89	80	108	102	88	129	125	112	113	107
Death Rate (crude)	11.8	15.0	13.2	17.8	16.3	13.8	20.2	18.8	16.6	16.79	16.02
Death Rate (corrected)	—	—	10.1	13.5	12.2	10.3	15.1	14.1	12.5	10.75	10.89
Death Rate (Eng. & Wales)	11.6	10.8	11.7	11.6	12.5	11.3	11.4	11.3	11.7	11.7	11.5
INFANT MORTALITY.											
Deaths under 1 year	7	3	2	4	4	—	2	1	1	2	5
Infantile Death Rate	104.5	28.8	20.6	40.4	39.6	—	25	11.3	11.8	24.4	64.9
Infantile Death Rate (Eng. & Wales)	53	33.9	32.4	29.6	29.7	27.6	26.8	25.4	24.9	23.8	23.1
MATERNAL MORTALITY.											
Maternal Mortality	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Maternal Mortality Rate	—	—	—	9.8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Maternal Mortality Rate (Eng. & Wales)	2.97	1.02	0.98	0.86	0.79	0.72	0.76	0.69	0.64	0.56	0.47

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Water Supplies.

As the result of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government circular 52/56 regarding the grouping of water undertakings, meetings were held between representatives of the four West Dorset local authorities and the Dorset County Council, to consider the setting up of a West Dorset Joint Water Board. A report from the County Public Health Engineer in which a case on the engineering grounds for the setting up of a Joint Undertaking was put forward. At one of the meetings three representatives from the Ministry attended.

A Joint Water Committee was set up comprising the Borough of Bridport and the Rural Districts of Bridport and Beaminster and the Dorset County Council, Lyme Regis Borough Council having decided to go in with the East Devon Water Board.

The Joint Committee, through the County Council, invited the County Treasurer to be their financial adviser and he was requested to prepare a report upon the financial implications of the formation of a Water Board.

In the light of this report, the Joint Committee advised their respective authorities that a Water Board to be known as the West Dorset Water Board, should be set up in the area.

With the consent of the constituent authorities, a Draft Water Order for the formation of a Water Board was drawn up by the Clerk to the Joint Water Committee in consultation with the Clerk and Treasurer of the County Council.

It is hoped that the West Dorset Water Board should come into operation in October, 1958.

Approximately 100 houses in the Borough take their water from outside taps.

8 samples of mains water which is chlorinated, were taken for bacteriological analyses, at the Public Health Laboratory, Dorchester; all were satisfactory. 1 sample of well water was found to be suspect and a notice was erected at the well advising people against using the well water for drinking purposes.

Chemical Analysis (in parts per million).

Appearance - Bright with a few mineral particles.

Colour	Nil.	Turbidity.	under 3
pH.	7.5	Odour.	Nil.
Electric Conductivity.	385.	Free Carbon Dioxide.	9.
Chlorine present as Chloride.	20.	Total Solids.	260.
Hardness: Total.	210.	Alkalinity as Calcium Carbonate.	175.
Nitrate Nitrogen.	2.2	Carbonate.	175.
Ammoniacal Nitrogen.	0.000	Non-Carbonate.	35.
Aluminoid Nitrogen.	0.000	Nitrite Nitrogen under	
Metals	Absent.	Oxygen Absorbed.	0.
		Residual Chlorine.	absent.

I am grateful to the Water Works Company's Engineer for his co-operation during the year.

Drainage and Sewerage.

Outfall.

By the end of the year the work on the outfall on the east beach had been completed.

Sewer Survey.

No work has been commenced on the survey of the Borough sewers as requested by the Ministry in March last year.

312 feet of new drains to council houses, 1,098 feet of 4" dia., 780 feet of 6" dia. to private houses and 279 feet to business premises, were installed during the year.

Rivers.

No serious pollution occurs in the rivers Brit, Asker and Simene during their course through the Borough.

Public Cleansing.

Three men are employed full-time and two men part-time in refuse collection. One refuse collection lorry is fully employed while one is employed part-time. The refuse is tipped on a site at Bothenhampton where a man is fully employed to keep the site tidy and recover metal salvage.

1,100 loads of refuse were collected from approximately 2,900 dustbins. 47 tons of waste paper and 5 tons of miscellaneous salvage were collected and sold. All tins are tipped on the refuse site.

Street cleaning was carried out by four full-time sweepers with street orderly carts, and a total of 6 miles were swept daily, one mile three times weekly, two miles twice weekly, and three miles once weekly.

Petroleum Spirit and Carbide.

Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.

Petroleum (Regulation) Acts, 1928 and 1936.

No. of Petroleum licences granted during the year.....29.
No. of inspections carried out.....16.

Shops and Offices.

39 visits were made. An Order was made under Section 40 of the Shops Act, 1950, suspending the obligation to close for the half holiday on one week-day in each week for all shops at West Bay during the period 1st. June - 30th. September, in each year.

Smoke Abatement.

No action was taken under this heading.

Fouling of Footways by Dogs.

No action was taken under the Byelaws.

Disinfestation.

Disinfestation was carried out when required; five treatments were given during the year.

Rodent Control.

This work has been carried out by the Council's part-time operator who investigated 237 complaints as well as performing routine contract and sewer treatments. Assistance was again received from the Divisional Rodent Officer in connection with the latter.

The poisons used were Antu 12 ozs., Arsenic 15 ozs., Warfarin 6½ lbs., and Zinc Phosphide 1½ lbs..

Visits paid were, 535 sewer treatments and 746 general.

Pet Animals Act, 1951.

Two licences were issued. Five visits were paid to the premises.

Camping Sites.

Apart from a few sites with a single caravan on each, the main site is a West Bay and is owned by the Council who employ a full-time Supervisor and two men during the camping season which lasts from 1st. April - 30th. September. Water is supplied to various standpipes near which are concrete tanks for the reception of foul water and which are emptied regularly by a tank emptier. There are water closets, and hot and cold showers. A daily collection of refuse from covered metal receptacles scattered through the camp field, is made during August and three times a week for the rest of the season. No caravans are allowed to remain on the site after 30th. September.

It is estimated that there were accommodated during the season 700 caravans, 1,000 tents, 1,000 cars, and 200 motor cycles.

Schools.

These are regularly inspected. All have water closets, piped water and washing facilities. All are supplied daily with Pasteurised milk.

Statutory Notices Served.

Public Health Act, 36, Sec. 50.....	2.	Complied with.....	2.
Food Hygiene Regs. 55. Sec. 32 (1)....	1.	" "	1.
Housing Act, 57. Sec. 16.....	13.		
Housing Act, 57, Sec. 17 (Closing Order).....	9.		
Housing Act, 36. Sec. 26 (Clearance Order).....	5.		
Housing Act, 36. Sec. 168 (Declaration of ownership).....	8.		

Informal Notices Served.

Factories Act. (Sanitary Accommodation).....	3.	Complied with....	3.
Food Hygiene Regulations.....	18.	" "	18.
Housing Act (Repairs).....	13.	" "	13.
Petroleum Regulations.....	3.		
Public Health Act. (Nuisances)	30.		
Total.....	67.		

Public Health Complaints received.....	101.
Total number of visits paid.....	2458.

Swimming and Bathing Pools.

There is no indoor swimming bath. Bathing takes place during the summer in the sea and in the river mouth which is dammed back for water polo and other aquatic sports.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Slaughterhouse and Meat Inspection.

The Skilling slaughterhouse has continued to be conducted in a satisfactory manner, bearing in mind the deficiencies in accommodation and facilities. A total of 538 cattle, 15 cows, 48 calves, 2340 sheep and 1115 pigs were slaughtered and inspected during the year.

At a joint meeting of the Bridport and District Master Butchers' Association and the Public Health Committee of the Council, the future of the Skilling slaughterhouse was fully discussed in the light of the Council's desire to continue with the development of the Skilling Housing Estate. The Butchers' Association indicated that they wished to remain at Skilling and had no desire to seek alternative premises. It was pointed out that there were sufficient facilities at the Bradpole slaughterhouse, which is situated $\frac{1}{4}$ mile north of Bridport in the Rural District of Bridport, to supply the needs of the whole of West Dorset. This slaughterhouse is at present exporting the bulk of its kill to places outside the area, and the Bridport Rural District Council is in receipt of the Meat Inspection Grant in respect of meat inspected beyond the needs of the population of the district.

Six licences to slaughter animals were issued during the year.

Cysticercus Bovis.

Twelve cases were found at the Skilling slaughterhouse i.e. 2.23% of Cattle (not Cows) slaughtered. Infected carcasses have been subjected to the deep-freeze treatment in accordance with Memo. 3/Meat, at a Deep Freeze Plant at a grocer's premises in the Borough, where carcasses are detained for 14 days at less than 14 degrees F. Cysts have been located in the heart and in the muscle on the inside as well as the outside of the jaw. It has not been possible to trace the sources of infection.

Condemned Meat.

This is stained before leaving the slaughterhouse, and disposed of to two firms. One firm processes all it receives while the other utilises diseased meat untreated as animal food, a method of disposal which cannot be regarded as satisfactory. Most of the meat as opposed to offal, goes to this latter firm.

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part.

	Cattle Excluding Cows.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep & Lambs.	Pigs.	Hor- ses.
Number killed.	538	15	48	2340	1115	-
Number inspected.	538	15	48	2340	1115	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis & Cysticerci.</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	39	1	-	8	11	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci.	7.2	6.7	-	0.3	0.98	-
<u>Tuberculosis only.</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned.	2	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	14	1	-	-	59	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis.	2.9	6.7	-	-	5.3	-
<u>Cysticercosis.</u>						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	12	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration.	12	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned.	-	-	-	-	-	-

Milk Supply.

Number of registered Distributors of milk.....	6.
Number of Registered dairies.....	4.
Number of Dealers' Licences for the Special Designation "Tuberculin Tested".....	3.
Number of Supplementary Licences for the Special Designation "Tuberculin Tested".....	1.
Number of Dealers' Licences for the Special Designation "Pasteurised".....	1.
Number of Supplementary Licences for the Special Designation "Pasteurised".....	1.
Number of Supplementary Licences for the Special Designation "Sterilised".....	1.

Milk Sampling.

The following are the particulars of the 320 samples of milk taken in the district for analyses. These were taken by the Dorset County Council on behalf of the Borough Council.

Result.	Pasteurised.	T.T.	Total.
Passed.	312.	5.	317
Failed.	2.	1.	3.

The Milk and Dairies Regulations 1949. Section 20.

It was not necessary to invoke these Regulations during the year.

Ice Cream.

No. of premises on the register for the :-

(a) Manufacture of ice cream.....	1.
(b) Storage and sale of ice cream.....	44.
No. of ice cream premises inspected.....	44.

50 samples were obtained during the summer months and of these, 41 were Grade 1, 7 were Grade 2, and 2 were Grade 3.

12 swabs were obtained from food utensils, ice cream servers, etc. with varying results, thus stressing the need for scrupulous care in the preparation and serving of food.

Food Premises Registered. Food and Drugs Act, 1955, Section 16.

For manufacture, sale or storage of ice cream.....	44.
Preparation or manufacture of sausages, or potted, pressed, pickled, or preserved food intended for sale.....	7.
Dairies registered under Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949..	4.

Condemned Food.

44 visits were paid in order to condemn canned foodstuffs which were then disposed of by burial, under supervision, at the Council's Refuse Tip. 628 lbs. were surrendered and disposed of during the year. One tin of ham was submitted to the laboratory for bacteriological analysis.

The Public Health Inspector reports " regular visits have continued to be paid to all food premises in the Borough, particular attention being paid to the sale of open food during the summer season. I am glad to report considerable progress in the implimentation of the Food Hygiene Regulations 1955 ".

Summary of Routine Inspections.

Type of Premises.	Number.	Visits.	Defects Found.	Defects Remedied.
Bakers.	10.	27.	3.	7.
Butchers.	8.	64.	-	2.
Cafes.	23.	107.	-	11.
Confectioners.	10.	51.	5.	3.
Dairies.	4.	8.	-	1.
Fishmongers (wet fish)	4.	58.	1.	1.
Fishmongers (fried ")	4.	9.	1.	-
Greengrocers.	11.	70.	1.	-
Grocers.	28.	69.	2.	7.
Kiosks.	10.	50.	1.	1.
Jam Factory.	1.	-	-	-
Licensed Premises.	39.	55.	39.	-
Produce Market.	1.	3.	1.	-
Slaughterhouse.	1.	289.	1.	-

18 Informal Notices were served during the year.

HOUSING.

The detailed inspection of dwellings in the Borough has continued, some 357 visits having being paid during the year. In addition, some 200 visits have been made in connection with applications for Council Houses, there being a waiting list of 117 families at the 31st. December, 1957.

Inspections were concentrated in the North Allington and Rope Walks areas and informal action, to try and achieve compliance with the minimum standard of fitness laid down by Section 4 of the Housing Act, 1957, is in hand.

One Clearance Area in Bolton Place has been represented, and nine dwellings closed under the provisions of Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1957

An Enquiry into the Magdalen Lane Compulsory Purchase Order was held on 20th. March, and confirmed without modification on 24th. June.

Following a hearing of the Magdalen Lane Clearance Order and the Chancery Lane Clearance Order on 12th. December, the former was subsequently confirmed excluding No. 30 Magdalen Lane (to be retained as a store) but the latter was not confirmed, as an undertaking from the owner was accepted, namely, to convert Nos. 1 and 2 Chancery Lane to one dwelling which would comply with the standard of fitness, the work to be completed by 30/6/58.

The Bolton Place Clearance Order comprising Nos. 1, 2, and 3 Bolton Place was confirmed on 26th. November, 1957.

In each of these Orders, the Council are unable to comply with their undertaking to re-house within eighteen months of the confirmation, because of the temporary cessation of building due to the financial crisis.

There are still a great number of unfit houses in the Borough, and strenuous efforts will be needed to make these properties fit or where this is impracticable, to secure their closure or demolition. With the current high cost of building, emphasis is laid upon the need to salvage houses wherever possible and it is felt that this can best be achieved by the use of improvement grants, and concentration on Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1936, for the repair of houses.

Inspection of Dwelling Houses.

No. inspected for housing defects.....	143.	No. of inspections....	357.
No. found in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.....			55.
No. exclusive of those under the preceding sub-heading, not in all respects reasonably fit for habitation.....			88.
No. rendered fit after Informal Action by Local Authority under the Housing Acts.....			7.
" " Public Health Act.....			18.

Action Under Statutory Powers.

Proceedings under Sections 9, 10, & 12, Housing Act, 1957.....	Nil.
" " Public Health Act, 1936.....	Nil.
" " Sections 16 & 23. Housing Act, 1957.....	13.
" " Section 18 Housing Act, 1957.....	Nil.
" " Section 17 Housing Act, 1957.....	9.
" " Section 26 Housing Act, 1936.....	3.

* This figure comprises the number of representations during 1957; the number of Notices actually served were 5 in respect of nine houses (4 in Magdalen Lane Clearance Order, 2 in Chancery Lane Clearance Order and 3 in Bolton Place Clearance Order)

Re-Housing.

No. of new houses completed during 1957 by :-	
(a) Local Authority.....	Nil.
(b) Private Enterprise.....	17.
No. of new houses in course of construction at 31/12/57 by :-	
(a) Local Authority.....	Nil.
(b) Private Enterprise.....	2.

Post War Houses.

Completed by Local Authority (a) Houses.....	200)	
Flats.....	104)	304.
Completed by Private Enterprise.....		125.
No. of houses owned by Local Authority :-		
Council built houses.....	507)	
Other dwellings.....	93)	600.

Rent Act.

No. of applications for certificates of disrepair.....	2.
No. of undertakings received to carry out repairs.....	1.
No. of certificates of disrepair issued.....	1.

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS
AND OTHER DISEASES.

Apart from Whooping Cough, the incidence of notifiable Infectious Diseases was very low indeed.

The notifications of Pneumonia (17) were higher than for many years past and were accounted for because of an epidemic of Influenza which occurred in October and November. 10 cases occurred in persons over 65 years.

89 cases of Whooping Cough were notified, more than half being among infant school children.

No cases of Food Poisoning were notified.

Close co-operation was maintained with the Head Teachers and School Nurses regarding the control of Infectious Diseases in schools.

Immunisation.

This is the responsibility of the Dorset County Council. When not performed by the child's own doctor, immunisation is given at the schools and Child Welfare Centre. 87 children were given their primary and 56 reinforcing inoculations against Diphtheria, 85 their primary and 32 reinforcing inoculations against Whooping Cough, 67 their primary and 5 reinforcing vaccinations against Smallpox, and 446 given their primary vaccination against Poliomyelitis.

B.C.G. Vaccination against Tuberculosis.

Children aged 13 years are tested and when necessary are vaccinated against Tuberculosis.

The following is a table of those children who were immunised during the year and who were attending the Alfred Colfox School which takes children from Bridport Borough, Bridport Rural District and a few from Beaminster and Dorchester Rural Districts.

No. in age group.	180.
No. of acceptances.	135.
No. tested.	129.
No. of positive reaction.	12.
No. vaccinated.	117.
C/F to next age group	
(a) For retest.	4.
(b) Absentees.	2.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT. 1948.

Section 47. Removal of Persons in need of Care and
Attention to suitable premises.

There were no cases during the year where it was necessary to proceed under this Section of the Act.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING 1957.

DISEASES.	Total.	Under 1 year.	1	2	3	4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65 & over.
Erysipelas.....	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Measles.....	11	-	3	-	1	3	4	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia.....	17	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	5	10
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-
Whooping Cough.....	89	6	3	6	6	11	49	2	2	1	3	-
Totals.	122	6	6	6	7	14	54	2	2	4	11	10

QUARTERLY NOTIFICATIONS.

DISEASES.	Total.	1st. Quarter.	2nd. Quarter.	3rd. Quarter.	4th. Quarter.
Erysipelas.....	1	-	-	-	1
Measles.....	11	-	9	2	-
Pneumonia.....	17	4	3	1	9
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	4	2	-	-	2
Whooping Cough.....	89	10	50	29	-
Totals.	122	16	62	32	12

DISEASES.		1938	1940	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
Diphtheria.....	1	16	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas.....	3	1	3	6	3	3	6	2	2	5	3	2	3	-	-	2	3	-	1
Scarlet Fever.....	3	6	9	10	5	3	5	11	4	9	16	2	1	16	-	2	-	-	-
Enteric Fever (Inc. Typhoid)....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	-	-	-
Cerebro-Spinal Fever.....	-	7	-	-	-	5	-	2	3	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis.....	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	6	-	-	3	-	-	1	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery.....	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis Lethargica.....	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Pneumonia.....	7	3	4	1	-	1	1	-	1	4	2	14	5	10	11	3	4	4	17
Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	7	-	8	2	6	5	4	8	5	-	2	6	1	6	1	4	5	4	4
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	2	-	2	4	2	1	1	3	1	1	1	2	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Measles.....	U.K. 129	15	17	12	185	5	2	85	3	162	45	3	5	2	377	7	11	11	11
Whooping Cough.....	U.K. 1	6	2	17	23	1	36	14	21	22	25	64	39	11	-	-	89	-	-
Totals.	24	163	52	43	52	222	25	66	114	44	216	98	79	83	30	387	18	122	122

TUBERCULOSIS.

<u>Age Periods.</u>	<u>New Cases notified during 1957.</u>				<u>Deaths during 1957.</u>			
	<u>Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary.</u>	
	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>
0- 4.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-14.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-24.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25-34.	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-
35-44.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45-54.	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
55-64.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 & over.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total.	1	3	-	-	-	1	-	-

	<u>New Cases and Mortality.</u>							
	<u>1938 - 1957.</u>							
	<u>New Cases.</u>				<u>Deaths.</u>			
	<u>Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary.</u>	
	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>
1938.	4	3	-	2	2	1	-	-
1939.	5	3	-	1	2	1	-	-
1940.	4	3	1	1	3	1	-	1
1941.	2	3	1	4	2	3	-	1
1942.	7	3	1	1	1	2	-	1
1943.	-	2	2	2	2	3	-	1
1944.	6	2	2	-	-	1	1	-
1945.	4	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
1946.	4	-	1	-	-	-	1	1
1947.	4	4	2	1	2	-	1	-
1948.	2	3	-	1	-	2	-	1
1949.	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	-
1950.	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
1951.	3	3	1	1	1	-	-	-
1952.	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
1953.	4	2	2	1	1	-	-	-
1954.	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
1955.	2	2	-	-	1	-	-	-
1956.	3	2	-	-	1	1	-	-
1957.	1	3	-	-	-	1	-	-

	<u>Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary.</u>	
	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>
Total cases on Register at end of 1956.	14	11	3	-
New Cases notified during 1957.	1	3	-	-
Transferred to Pul. Section from Non-Pul. Section.	1	-	-	-
Re-admitted to Register.	1	-	-	-
Cases from other areas who have come to live in the District.	-	-	-	1
Removals from District into other areas.	4	1	-	-
Removed from Register as Non-Tubercular.	-	-	-	-
Removed from Register - Cured.	-	-	-	-
Transferred from Non-Pul. Section to Pul. Section.	-	-	1	-
Deaths during 1957.	-	1	-	-
Total on Register at the end of 1957.	13	12	2	1

FACTORIES ACTS 1937 & 1948.

Part 1 of the Act.

1. INSPECTIONS for the Purposes of Provisions as to Health (including Inspections made by the Public Health Inspector).

Premises.	Number on Register.	Number of		Occupiers Prosecuted.
		Inspections.	Written Notices.	
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4, & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	4	-	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	72	15	3	-
(iii) Other premises in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding Outworkers premises)	-	-	-	-
Total.	76	15	3	-

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found.

Particulars.	Number of cases in which Defects were found				No. of cases in which prosecutions were institut
	Found.	Re- medied.	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector.	By H.M. Inspector.	
Want of cleanliness.	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding.	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature.	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation.	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors.	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	3	3	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork).	-	-	-	-	-
Total.	3	3	-	-	-

Part V111 of the Act.

OUTWORK.

Sections 110 & 111

Nature of Work.	No. of Out-workers in August List reqd. by Sec. 110 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending Lists to the Council.	No. of Prosecutions for failure to supply Lists.	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises.	Notices Served.	Prosecutions.
Wearing apparel.	2	-	-	-	-	-
Nets, other than wire nets.	295	-	-	-	-	-
	297	-	-	-	-	-

BRIDPORT RIPARIAN LOCAL AUTHORITY.

Section I - Staff. X NO CHANGE.

Section II - Amount of shipping entering the district during the year.
TABLE B.

Ships from.	Number.	Tonnage.	Number inspected.		Number of ships reported as having had during the voyage infectious disease on board.
			By the M.O.H.	By the P.H.I.	
Foreign Ports.	7	2146	3	3	Nil.
Coastwise.	22	6100	-	5	Nil.
Total.	29	8246	3	8	Nil.

Section III - Character of shipping and trade during the year.
TABLE C.

Passenger Traffic - Nil.
Cargo Traffic { Principal IMPORTS - Timber.
 { Principal EXPORTS - Gravel.

Principal Ports from which ships arrive - are in Sweden and Finland.

Section IV - Inland Barge Traffic - Nil.

Section V - Water Supply X NO CHANGE.

Section VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1952 X NO CHANGE.

Section VII - Smallpox.

1) Name of Isolation Hospital to which Smallpox cases are sent from the district.

Crabwood Smallpox Hospital, Nr. Winchester, Hants.

2) Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hospital.

Dorset County Ambulance Service.

3) Names of Smallpox Consultants available.

Dr. E.J. Gordon Wallace, Weymouth, Dr. A.F. Turner, and Dr. C. Hollins, Dorchester.

4) Facilities of laboratory diagnosis of Smallpox.

Suspected Material is sent to - Virus Reference Laboratory, Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale, London, N.W.9.
Tel. No. - Colindale. 6041.

Section VIII - Venereal Disease. X NO CHANGE.

Section IX - Cases of Notifications and Other Infectious Diseases on ships.
TABLE D.

Category	Disease	Number of cases during the year.		Number of ships concerned.
		Passengers.	Crew.	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Cases landed from other ships.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

Section X - Observations on the occurrence of malaria in ships - Nil.

Section XI - Measures taken against ships infected with or suspected for plague - Nil.

Section XII - Measures against rodents in ships from foreign ports.

- (1) Routine inspection in ships from foreign ports is made.
- (2) Arrangements for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents are made with the County Laboratory, Dorchester. No rats were sent during the year.

TABLE E.

Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports.

Category.	Number.
Black rats.....	Nil.
Brown rats.....	Nil.
Species not known.....	Nil.
Sent for examination.....	Nil.
Infected with plague.....	Nil.

TABLE F.

Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates issued during the year for ships from foreign ports.

No. of Deratting Certificates issued					Number of Deratting Exemption Certs. issued.	Total Certs. issued.
After fumigation with H.C.N.	Other fumigant (State Method)	After Trapping.	X After Poisoning.	Total.		
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

X State Poisons used and No. of Certs. issued after each poison.

Section XlII - Inspection of ships for nuisances.

TABLE G.
Inspection and Notices.

Nature and number of Inspections.	Notices served.		Result of Serving Notices.
	Statutory Notices.	Other Notices.	
British. 5	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Foreign. 6	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Totals. 11	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

Section XlV - Public Health (Shell-Fish) Regulations 1934 & 1948 X

NO CHANGE.

Section XV - Medical Inspection of Aliens. X NO CHANGE.

Section Xvl - Miscellaneous. X NO CHANGE.
